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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)
Yukitoshi TAKEUCHI, et al.	: Examiner: James A. Thompson
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Application No.: 09/899,022	: Group Art Unit: 2625
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Filed: July 6, 2001	: Confirmation No: 3535
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For: IMAGE READING APPARATUS	: December 4, 2006
AND ORIGINAL COVER THEREOF	)
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Commissioner for Patents  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT, TELEPHONE INTERVIEW SUMMARY,  
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

*Petition for Extension of Time*

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 4, 2006, for one month, from November 4, 2006 to December 4, 2006. Please charge the \$120.00 petition fee, any additional fee required for the extension, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

*Preliminary Amendment*

Prior to further examination on the merits, and in further response to the August 4, 2006 Office Action, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks.